

Please amend the present application as follows:

Claims

The following is a copy of Applicant's claims that identifies language being added with underlining ("__") and language being deleted with strikethrough ("—"), as is applicable:

1. (Currently amended) A method for completing forms, comprising ~~the steps of:~~

~~receiving location information for reading a user data card to determine a network location at which user information to be added to a form is stored;~~
~~retrieving the user information from the network location;~~
~~configuring the user information for merging with the form; and~~
~~merging the user information into the form by populating form data fields with pieces of the user information; and~~

printing a hard copy form that contains at least a portion of the user information.

2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~the location information is received by reading a data card of the user is read by a card reader of a printer that prints the hard copy form such that no separate computer is needed to generate the hard copy form.~~

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the location information comprises a universal resource locator (URL).

4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 4, 1, wherein the network comprises the Internet.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ confirming authorization to access the user information.

8. (Currently amended) The method of claim 7, wherein ~~the step of~~ confirming authorization comprises receiving a correct passcode.

9. (Currently amended) A system for completing forms, comprising:
means for ~~receiving reading~~ location information ~~for from a user information data card;~~
means for retrieving ~~the user information from a network location identified in the location information;~~
means for ~~configuring the user information for merging the user information with a form; and~~
means for printing a hard copy form that contains at least a portion of the user information.

10. (Currently amended) The system of claim 9, wherein the means for receiving location information comprises a card reader of a printing device, the card reader being that is adapted to read data from a the user data card.

11. (Original) The system of claim 9, wherein the means for retrieving the user information comprises a network interface device.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein the network interface device is adapted to transmit and receive data via the Internet.

13. (Currently amended) The system of claim 9, wherein the means for printing a hard copy form comprises a printer.

14. (Currently amended) A printing device, comprising:
printing hardware with which hard_copy documents can be generated;
a card reader that is adapted to read data location information from a user data card;
a network interface device that is adapted to ~~transmit and receive data via a network~~ retrieve user information from a network location identified in the location information; and
device memory that stores forms data; and
a form generation module that merges the user information with a form stored in the device memory for the purpose of printing a hard copy form that is at least partially completed.

15. (Original) The printing device of claim 14, wherein the card reader is adapted to read information from a magnetic strip of the user data card.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Original) The printing device of claim 14, further comprising a network browser.

18. (Original) The printing device of claim 17, wherein the network browser is an Internet browser.

19. (Original) The printing device of claim 14, wherein the printing device comprises a printer.

20. (Original) The printing device of claim 14, wherein the printing device comprises a multifunction peripheral (MFP) device.